

Appln. No.: 10/022,853  
Amendment dated July 30, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of April 1, 2003

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The office action of August 13, 2003, has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested.

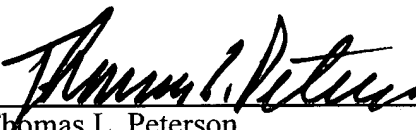
Claims 19-21 remain in this application. Claims 1-18, have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and new claims 19-21 have been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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